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THE DNA BINDING AFFINITY,  
SEQUENCE SPECIFICITY, AND  
ORIENTATION-PREFERENCE OF  
CHIRAL HAIRPIN POLYAMIDES IN  
THE MINOR GROOVE**

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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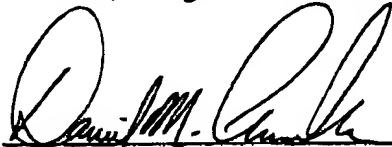
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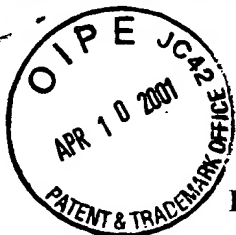
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 17, 2001 ("Paper No. 13"), please consider the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 23-25 without prejudice to their future prosecution. Please replace claims 8-15 with the following amended claims. Marked-up versions of these claims are attached hereto as Appendix A.